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2.

as of August 1953 Cardinal Mindszenty is reported to be in perfect health and he has been permitted to meet his mother in Vac. He had been brought to the meeting place by car

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requiring many hours travel from his place of imprisonment. At that the guard interrupted and told him to say no more about the trip.

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3.

Father John Fabian, who had been confined with Cardinal Mindszenty and sentenced to two years had been released from jail in 1951 and as of 1953 was working as an assistant at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in the eighth borough of Budapest.

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Msgr Andrew Zackar had been released from jail a few months previous after serving four years. As of August 1953 he is reported serving in the Central Seminary in Budapest.

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Bishop Petery of Vacs refused to promote a peace priest and subsequently was taken into custody. His whereabouts are not known.

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Cistercian Abbot Vendelin Endrey of Zircs, a co-defendant of Archbishop Groz, had disappeared, but was last reported seen working as a laborer on a large building project in East Hungary. No one knows the whereabouts of Archbishop Groz.

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6. The former principal aide of Msgr Miklos Beresztoczy, Msgr Nicholas Boer, escaped from Hungary and as of August 1953 is in Brazil. He is serving as a professor at the Catholic University, Sao Paulo.  
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7. [REDACTED] the deaths of several old friends - Msgr Fallenguhl, former principal of a girl's gymnasium in Budapest, and Msgr Augustine Blieszner, who was removed from his post and succeeded by a peace priest, a Fr Halasz, in 1952.
8. Also reported to have died recently was Fr Anthony Schutz, the greatest dogmatic theologian in Hungary who taught at the University of Budapest. He also held PhD degrees in medicine, science, and in mathematics. He was a genius at mathematics.  
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9. My friend in Rome [REDACTED] that the peace priest movement in Hungary was not gaining any ground and that the people laugh at them. He said that he had heard of no recent escapes of priests from Hungary.

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